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FOR OES/APT/SEP: PASS TO ERDA FOR GOUSE AND LARSON

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SUBJ: SFCP: ERDA JOINT FUND PROJECTS AGREEMENT

1. JERZY KAHANEK (FOREIGN COOPERATION DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF MINING) INFORMS US HE IS SENDING A TELEX TO ERDA (PROBABLY EITHER WILLIAM GOUSE OR EDWARD LARSON) CONCERNING QUESTIONS OF HOW THE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COSTS FOR THE POLES ARE TO BE COVERED UNDER THE ERDA/MOM DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT ON SPECIFIED PROJECTS IN COAL RESEARCH. FOLLOWING PROVIDES BACKGROUND FOR THE TELEX.

2. KAHANEK HAD EARLIER ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE FIRST TWO SENTENCES OF ARTICLE 9, SECTION 4, OF THE DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT, EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT THE TOTAL OF 6,676,825 ZLOTYS (EQUIVALENT TO USDOLS 335,182) SPECIFIED MIGHT BE CONSTRUED TO INCLUDE THE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COSTS OF POLES AS WELL AS AMERICANS. HE NOTED THAT THERE IS NO SPECIFIC PROVISION OTHERWISE FOR POLISH INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COSTS FOR THE FIRST SIX PROJECTS (THAT IS, EXCLUDING PROJECTS DESCRIBED IN ANNEXES NOS. 8 AND 9.). HE ALSO REFERRED

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TO DISCUSSIONS LAST YEAR DURING NEGOTIATIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, SUGGESTING ERDA HAD ACQUIESCED IN AN ESTIMATE OF USDOLS 200,000 FOR POLISH TRAVEL COSTS.

3. SCIATT EXPRESSED THE OPINION AT THAT TIME THAT THE LANGUAGE OF ARTICLE 9, SECTION 4, REFERRED ONLY TO TRAVEL BY US PERSONNEL. SHORTLY AFTERWARD, BASED ON

WEBB/WALD TELECON OF SEPTEMBER 9, SCIATT CONFIRMED THAT ERDA INTENDED ALL SUBSIDIARY JOINT FUND ACCOUNT MONIES TO BE FOR THE SUPPORT OF AMERICAN TRAVEL ONLY AND ADDED THAT IN ERDA'S VIEW POLISH COSTS WITHIN INDIVIDUAL PROJECT BUDGETS WERE ADJUSTABLE.

4. KAHANEK HAS NOW CONSULTED WITH THE CENTRAL MINING INSTITUTE, WHICH HE SAID BELIEVES IT MIGHT BE VERY DIFFICULT TO ADJUST THE BUDGETS TO PICK UP POLISH INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COSTS. HE THEREFORE HOPES ERDA MIGHT RECONSIDER THE PROVISION OF 6.6 MILLION ZLOTYS FOR US TRAVEL COSTS. HE ALSO HOPES FOR CONFIRMATION THAT ERDA HAD AGREED TO THE ALLOCATION OF ABOUT USDOLS 200,000 FOR POLISH TRAVEL COSTS WITHIN THE OVERALL BUDGET.

5. KAHANEK HAS EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF ADEQUATE PROVISION FOR POLISH TRAVEL, WHICH APPARENTLY WAS OVERLOOKED WHEN THE POLISH SIDE SIGNED THE AGREEMENT IN JUNE. THE EMBASSY HOPES THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM TO MUTUAL SATISFACTION BEFORE MINING MINISTER LEJCZAK'S ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON OCTOBER 2 (WARSAW 6660). IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, WE RECOMMEND THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO CARRY FORWARD DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON WITH KAHANEK, WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANYING MINISTER LEJCZAK, BUT WITHOUT DISRUPTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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